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House Resolution 908

By: Representatives Teilhet of the 40th and Johnson of the 37th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Fair Oaks community in Cobb County and encouraging Dobbins Air Force
- 2 Base to protect this community's oak trees to the greatest extent possible; and for other
- 3 purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, Fair Oaks, a community located between South Cobb Drive and Atlanta Road,
- 5 has been an important part of Cobb County for more than 100 years; and
- 6 WHEREAS, according to the 2000 census, almost 25,000 people live in or around in Fair
- 7 Oaks; and
- 8 WHEREAS, many homes in Fair Oaks were built between 1900 and 1935, pre-dating
- 9 Dobbins Air Force Base and the Bell Bomber plant; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the neighborhood was a trolley stop between Atlanta and Marietta; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the late Cobb County Chairman, Ernest Barrett, for whom Barrett Parkway is
- 12 named and whose accomplishments are legendary, was a resident of Fair Oaks; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Fair Oaks is named for the many historic and majestic oak trees populating the
- 14 area; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Fair Oaks is a candidate to be placed in the National Register of Historic Places;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, nearby Dobbins Air Force Base, a valued and important neighbor, is expected
- 18 to be made subject to more stringent rules by the Federal Aviation Administration that may
- 19 require easements to remove obstructions to the glide slope; and

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1 WHEREAS, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is studying Fair Oaks to determine which

- 2 trees may be in the glide slope and whether the area's characteristic oaks will have to be
- 3 trimmed or even removed; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the citizens of Fair Oaks desire a resolution that will allow the character of their
- 5 neighborhood to be maintained and for Dobbins Air Force Base to be able to perform its
- 6 mission safely and effectively.
- $7 \quad \text{NOW, THEREFORE, BE\,IT\,RESOLVED\,BY\,THE\,HOUSE\,OF\,REPRESENTATIVES\,that}$
- 8 this body commends Fair Oaks for its historic character and contributions to Cobb County
- 9 and the State of Georgia.
- 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Dobbins Air Force Base is encouraged to work with the
- citizens of Fair Oaks to minimize any negative impact that new regulations may require and
- 12 to protect, to the greatest extent possible, the oaks of Fair Oaks.
- 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Fair Oaks Community
- 15 Club.